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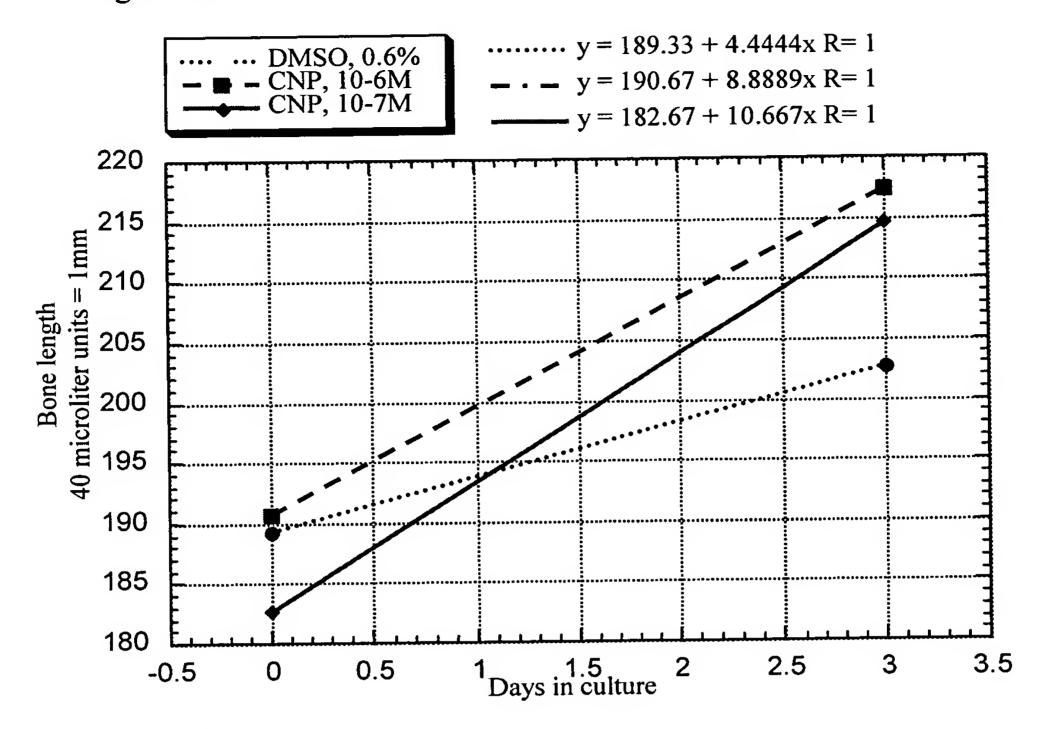


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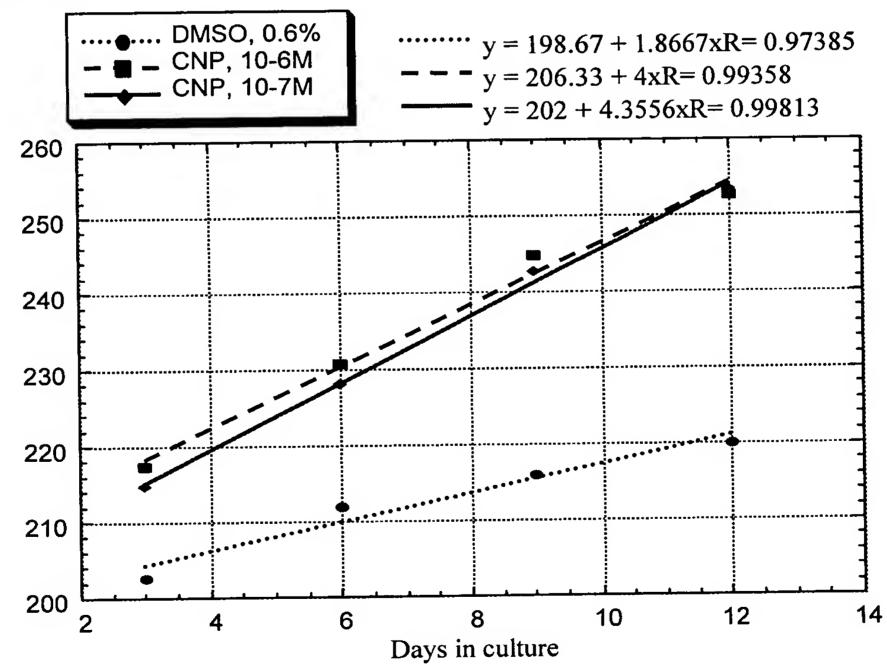


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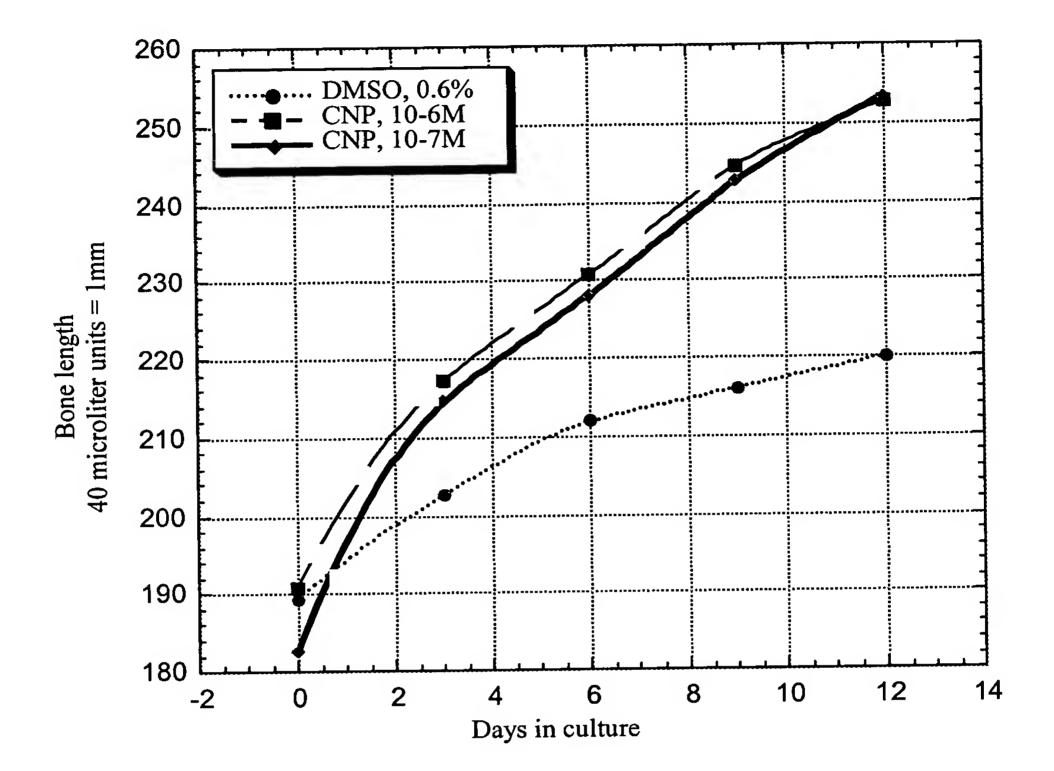


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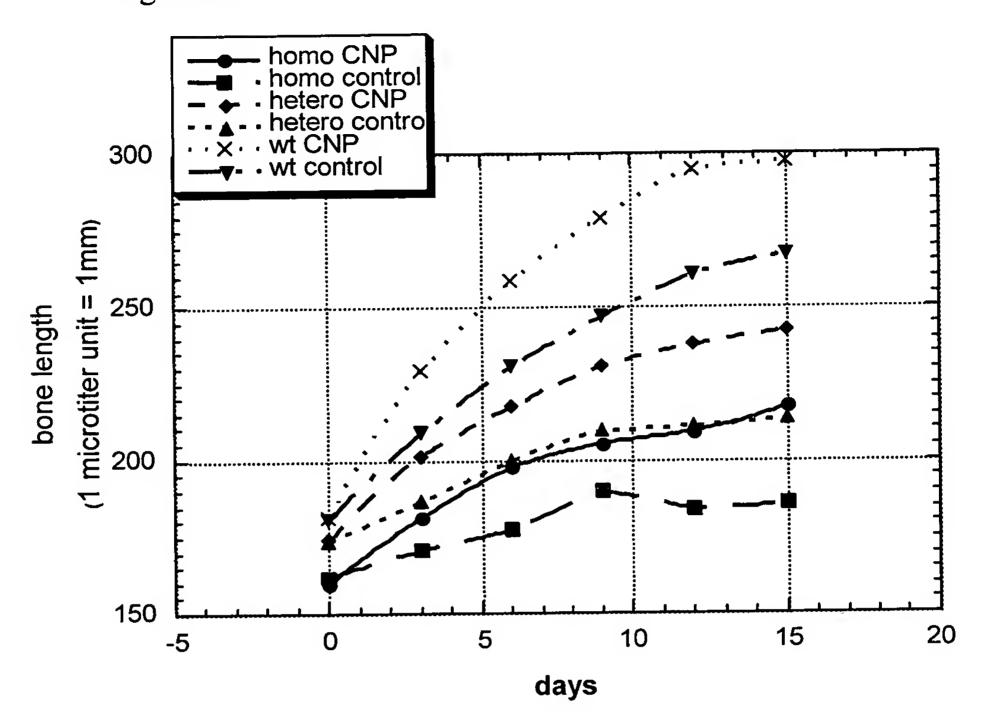


Figure 3A

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Figure 3B

CNP 5-22 SEQ ID NO:2

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Figure 3C

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Human CNP 1-22: SEQ ID NO:1

Human BNP-32: SEQ ID NO:4

Human ANP: SEQ ID NO:3

Cys-Phe-Gly-Xaa-Xbb-Xcc-Asp-Arg-Ile-Gly-Xdd-Xee-Ser-Xff-Xgg-Gly-Cys SEQ ID NO:5

Xaa=Leu, Ile, Val; Xbb=Lys, Leu, Met; Xcc=Leu, Ile, Ala, Val;

Xdd=Ser, Ala, Gly, Thr, Asn; Xee=Met, Ala, Lys, Trp; Xff=Gly, Lys, Ala, Leu; Xgg=Leu, Met

Figure 4

